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NOTICE.

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On left side of hip.

Any person disposing of cattle in the above brands without written authority from me will be prosecuted to the extent of the law. J. W. DECKILL.

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W. M. HURST.

YOUNG MEN

BAYLIES Great Mercantile College, Keokuk, Iowa, on the Mississippi. Nineteenth year. About sixty dollars pay all expenses for membership, board and stationery. Bookkeepers, penmen, reporters, operators, architects, surveyors and teachers thoroughly fitted. Railroad fare reduced. Good situations. No vacations. Don't fail to address Prof. Miller, Keokuk, Iowa.

The Grass.

Never in the history of the prairies of Western Kansas has a season been more favorable to vegetation than the present. The rainfall has been greater and more regular, and the grass, which came earlier is much healthier, and a thicker crop than ever was known before now covers the earth. Heretofore on the uplands a large portion of the ground was always visible, the grass growing in bunches, as if the soil was not of sufficient strength to grow a full crop, but this spring the whole surface is completely covered with a thick matting, and no grass ever looked greener and grifter than that which now covers the valleys and uplands in this vicinity.

The First Herd.

Mike Dalton, boss herder for Powers, Buckley & Co., arrived last Wednesday with a herd of 1,200 beef cattle from Red River, Texas. They are in fine condition, having found plenty of grass and water along the trail. Mr. Dalton had serious trouble with some farmers in Comanche county, occasioned by invading the territory protected by the dead line. The Grangers went for them like a swarm of mad hornets, and heavy fines and damage money had to be yielded up before the stock could proceed. Mike says he don't want any more dead line in his. Other droves of mixed cattle belonging to the same firm and wintered in the same locality, amounting to 6,000 head, are following close behind this herd. Mr. Powers having for some time been in the employ of the Kansas Pacific, will of course try to ship his cattle over that road. But whether he will succeed in getting them through the dead line to Ellis, in violation of the State law and in the face of farmers fully aroused and terribly in earnest, is a question of doubtful issue. We seriously doubt their ability to do so.

The Denverites are so terribly excited over the railroad situation that they drink bad 'rot' and go to bed and dream such things as the following, which we clip from the Times.—Pueblo Chieftain.

The plan is to take up the rails of the Kansas Pacific from Ellsworth west, and then form a connection with the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe at Great Bend on the Arkansas, and run a short line from thence to the edge of the great southern cattle ranges. The two companies, according to this plan, are to be consolidated, the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe guaranteeing the bonds of the Kansas Pacific and taking the connection with Denver, either by way of West Las Animas or Pueblo.

Mrs. Alice V. Brown, mother of Mrs. Jas. Wilson, of this city, is paying her daughter a visit. Mrs. Brown has relatives with the 5th Cavalry, stationed on Tongue river, not far from the Black Hills mining districts, who write at follows: There will be a great many in the Hills this summer. They may strike something that will pay. They have strong hopes. There is a great deal of country to be explored yet. The prospects so far have not been very encouraging. There are a great number of men here who will go back to the mines in a short time. Some of them have claims there but came in here to spend the winter. Miles City is building up rapidly.

The proprietors of the saloons in Larned all failed to get the number of citizens required by law to sign their petitions, and the Council refused to grant them license. Some of them have closed up and others are contesting the matter.

We are pleased to learn that ex-Senator Martin, of Osage county, has been appointed Receiver of the Topeka land office. Mr. Martin is a man of morality, integrity and ability, and has many warm friends throughout the State.

Congress has been called to meet on the 15th of October, in special session.

MURDEROUS ASSAULT.

A Desperate Tramp Attempts to Kill Col. D. D. Colley.

Dodge City is just now especially favored by the tramp fraternity. It seems to be the jumping off place for the Westward bound tramp (they invariably travel toward the setting sun). Some weeks ago one walked into town rejoicing in the name of John W. Charlton. He was six feet high in his soleless boots, and robust, muscular and healthy, as the professional tramp always is. He soon discovered that there was another 'Jack Charlton' in the city, and rushed into the TIMES office with the request that if the other Jack Charlton ever had to be mentioned we should leave out the name for fear it might be mistaken for himself by his friends. After taking this precautionary measure to preserve his fair name from polluting stains, he began to cultivate the acquaintance of Mr. P. Shugrue, who was moved with compassion by his destitute condition, and furnished him bed and board until such time as he could obtain employment. Pat also gave him a new pair of shoes and supplied him with a shot gun that he might amuse himself killing ducks until he found work.

Week after week passed by and still Mr. Shugrue's guest reveled in idleness. Finally Mr. Shugrue took the matter in hand himself, and soon secured a good situation for his protege under Mr. Frolic. An expression of melancholy sadness came over Mr. Charlton's face when he learned of the toil in store for him; but Mr. Shugrue persuaded him to try it, and for one day he submitted to being reduced to the position of a servile hireling. His proud spirit, however, rebelled against an occupation so inferior to his exalted ideas, and in the evening he demanded his time and abandoned the job. The receipts of the day enabled him to drown his sorrows in the flowing bowl. Visions of duck shooting with Shugrue's gun flitted through his mind, and again he felt that happy days were yet in store for him; that life was not all a dreary desert. Vain anticipation; delusive expectation! For no sooner had Mr. Shugrue learned that our tramp had boldly shaken from him the shackles of toil than he cruelly drove him from the genial fireside and smoking viands which were so necessary to his comfort. Such insolence could not fail to provoke Mr. Charlton's indignation; his chivalrous nature cried out for vengeance, and the next morning during Mr. Shugrue's temporary absence from the blacksmith shop he sneaked in and took what tools he could secrete in his pockets, under his coat and in his bosom. As he was leaving the shop Mr. Shugrue met him and noticed the end of a long file sticking from one pocket, the handle of a hammer protruding from another, while a pair of tongs and a few bars of pig iron were partly exposed below his coat tails. His late benefactor at once commenced applying a cowhide boot to our hero's person, and every kick made an implement drop. Supposing all the plunder had been disgorged Mr. Shugrue gathered up the tools and started for the shop. Charlton then drew a heavy soldering iron from his pocket and, sneaking up behind Shugrue, aimed a murderous blow at his head. The action was observed by a bystander, and Mr. S. was warned just in time to escape.

C. then publicly registered a vow to burn the city to ashes, but Marshal Degor escorted him to the dog house, where he remained until evening, when he was released on condition that he would leave town between 9 and 10 o'clock the same night. Harry Boyer saw him skulking and hiding between Webster's store and Beatty & Kelley's restaurant.

About half-past 11 the same night Col. Colley passed through the alley where our bloodthirsty tramp was lying in wait for plunder to subsist upon. Carrying his pilgrimage away from our city to some more congenial clime. As the Col. was crossing the culvert a switch engine commenced blowing off steam. This was the time for the assassin to get in his work. The es-

caping steam prevented his footsteps from being heard, and the first intimation Col. Colley had that danger was near, was the terrible blow on the back of his head, which caused him to stagger forward a few steps and fall on his hands and knees. Although too much stunned to rise up immediately, the Col. managed to turn around and face his would-be murderer, who was coming for him again. The miscreant hesitated in surprise on seeing that his attempt was a failure, and the Col. soon recovered sufficiently to rise up and start for the assailant, calling 'police,' which caused him to flee. A streak of light from a window falling upon the retreating figure satisfied Col. Colley that it was John Charlton, who had been ejected from the Long Branch a day or two before as a nuisance.

Dr. McCarty examined the wound and found that the skull was bare and exposed but not fractured. The weapon used was a stone weighing between eight and ten pounds.

Mr. Charlton was arrested next day on a charge of assault with intent to kill, and last Wednesday was brought before Judge Frost for preliminary examination. He acted as his own lawyer, and managed his case in a cool and sagacious manner which showed he had been there before. But the Judge decided to let the District Court have a whack at him, and bound him over in the sum of \$5,000. The prisoner will languish in jail until court sets.

The Dodge City Fire Company held their regular monthly meeting last Monday evening. They decided to incorporate in order to transact business in the name of the company. The system of night watching was discontinued as the regular night policeman now fills the bill.

The passenger bound eastward struck a wash out last Wednesday night near Aubrey, a small station west of Lakin, and the engine was turned over on its side in the mud, but fortunately nobody was injured. The train came in Thursday afternoon.

SIoux CITY, Iowa, May 4.—It is stated here to-day that force will be used by the Government to remove the remaining 500 Poncas from their reservation in Dakota to the Indian Territory. Thus far only 100 have gone, and trouble is apprehended if soldiers are used to remove those who refuse to leave their reservation.

Mr. J. L. Webber, of the Post, has the champion cow. She is only two years old, gives four gallons of milk a day, of a very rich quality, from which a surprisingly large quantity of butter is made. This is another evidence of the excellence of the range in this vicinity.

Strayed from near Dodge City, last Friday. A heavy-built bay pony, bald faced, three white feet, white saddle marks on his back. Was brought from Ellsworth county. Information of his whereabouts will be paid for at this office.

The Occider has had its walls newly painted on the inside, and the letters on its windows more elaborately finished, and its proprietor, Mr. Sturm, always makes it pleasant for his visitors.

Mr. Frolic, the industrious section boss, is having his men grade the bed, and put in new ties and new rails along the road in the vicinity of the city.

Master Mechanic Hockett's wife, after spending a week's visit with her husband and son, departed a few days ago for her home in Sedalia, Missouri.

ANY person having copies of the TIMES dated April 1st will render us a favor by sending them to this office.

The two milliners who occupied the house opposite G. M. Hooyer's residence have taken their departure.

Mr. F. C. Zimmermann's alfalfa crop is looking fine.